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The California Delegates to the American Medical Association Meeting at Atlantic City, N. J., June 9-13, 1919, are as follows:—

C. Van Zwalenburg, Riverside, (2) 1920
Victor G. Vecki, San Francisco, (2) 1920
A. B. Spalding, San Francisco, (2) 1921

The alternates are as follows:—

Wm. P. Lucas, San Francisco, (2) 1920
Jerome B. Thomas, Palo Alto, (2) 1920
T. C. Little, San Diego, (2) 1921

CORRECTION OF ABUSES UNDER THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT.

That the physicians of the State have been exploited by many of the companies operating under the Workmen's Compensation Act there can be no doubt. We have plenty of evidence on file in our office. The demanding of rebates upon what is known as the Fee-Schedule is the commonest method employed. This schedule has never been adopted by the Society. Therefore there is no machinery for keeping the carriers and the physicians to their contracts—because there is no contract.

With the increase in price of all commodities there has been, of course, a corresponding increase in the cost of doing compensation insurance business; an increase in all the items save one—medical fees. The carrier has now to pay more for his stenographers, his stationery, his clerks, his hospital care. The physician alone is not paid to meet his increased expenditures. The Fee Schedule was supposedly based (at the time it was devised) upon the average earnings of labor. These earnings have increased enormously in the past few years, and as insurance premiums are based upon pay-roll figures, the income of the carrier has advanced to meet the increase in charges incident to doing business. Assuming that a fixed proportion of all premiums collected is

allotted to medical service, it is easy to see that more money—more dollars—is in that allotment when premiums are higher—and they are now much higher than when the Fee-Schedule was devised. In short the Fee-Schedule should be raised. The profession should now receive more money for the same service rendered to a man in a given employment than he did three years ago. There is no reason on earth why the carriers should be allowed to charge the increase in the ability of labor to pay to profit.

The Committee on Industrial Accident Insurance rendered a report at the Santa Barbara meeting (see page 191), in which it has carefully considered this and several other matters of interest to every physician practising in California. The report is now in the hands of a Committee of the Council, who will confer with the Committee on Industrial Accident Insurance and attempt to take steps to meet the exigencies of the occasion.

Read the report, think it over and send any constructive ideas you may have to the Committee or to the JOURNAL office.

FOR DOCTORS IN SMALLER TOWNS.

At the Santa Barbara meeting, a live topic of conversation grew out of the editorials of the last few months advocating the development of the rural and small town hospital. The opinion was freely expressed that in these lay the future hold of the doctor on his own advancement and on fulfillment of his public obligations to society. We must face the fact, whether we recognize it or not, that the doctor has a public obligation and that if he does not meet it, his place will inevitably be filled by someone who does meet it. In smaller towns and in rural communities, the doctor has a particularly hard job in keeping himself in condition to provide for his patients the very best that

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CORNELIUS VAN ZWALENBURG.

Dr. Cornelius Van Zwalenburg, our past president of the Medical Society, was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, November 17th, 1862. His forefathers came from Holland. As a boy he was brought up on a farm, and later attended a preparatory school at Hope College, from which he graduated in 1880. Like many other members of our profession, he was for a while a school teacher, but took up the study of medicine and graduated from the University of Michigan in 1885.

Soon after entering private practice, he was elected secretary of the Academy of Medicine in Kalamazoo. This brought him in contact with the best element of his profession throughout the state. The good work done in his profession and the faithful service performed as secretary prompted his confreres to confer upon him the honor of president of the Academy in 1899.

During these years he was a pioneer in his section of the state in early Listerian surgery and laid the ground work for the reputation and experience which marked his after years.

In 1900 he came to California and settled in Riverside, where he has upheld the best standards of the profession and served the public with the

highest form of intelligent sympathy and efficient work. He has been an active member of the local county society and was president of the Riverside Chamber of Commerce. He is, of course, a member of the State Medical Society and a Fellow of the American Medical Association. He is also one of the founders of the American College of Surgeons.

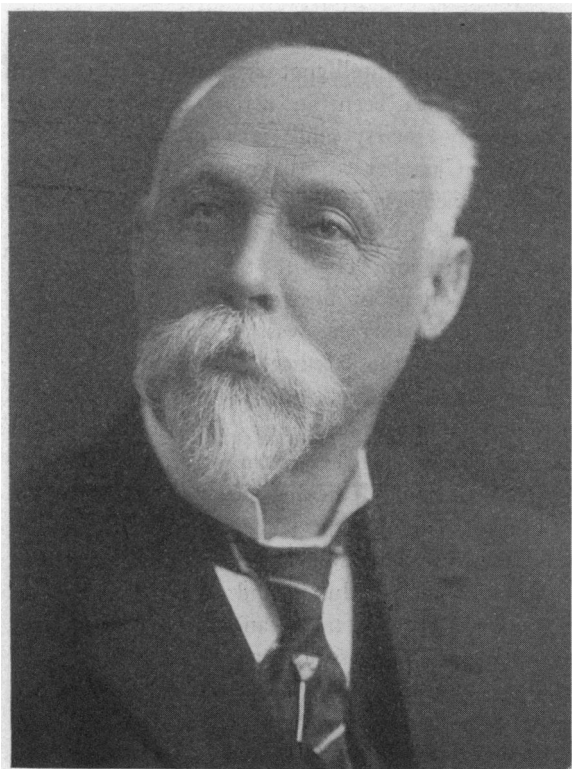
In the year 1907 he was elected a member of the Council of the Medical Society of the State of California, and was one of the most faithful attendants at their meetings. In the year 1918 he was elected to the distinguished position of President of the Medical Society of the State of California. In this capacity he has ever stood for the high principles of medicine and has held before us our larger civic duties and our obligations to the public. He has taken an unusual interest in the workings of the society and assisted very materially by advice and suggestions in the conduct of the State Society's central office. His wisdom in the deliberations of the Council have made him an indispensable member of that organization. He is still active in his profession, still can render service to humanity; he is still standard bearer in the cause for human betterment.



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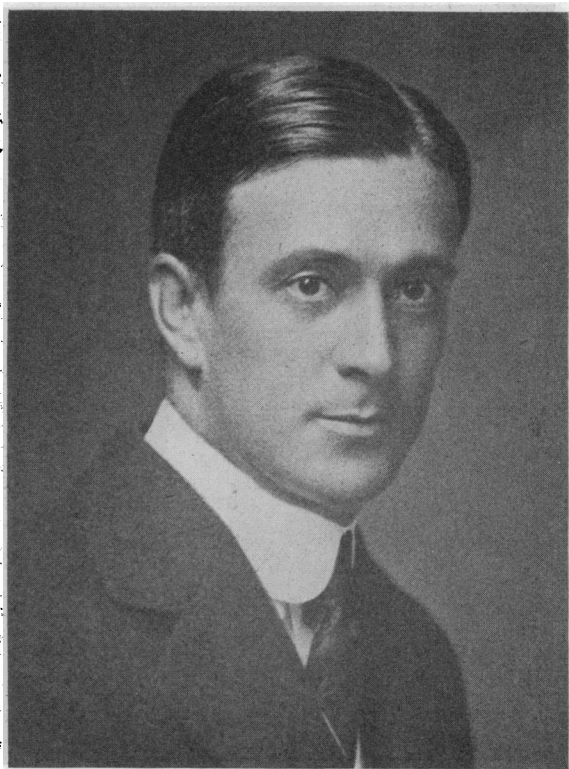


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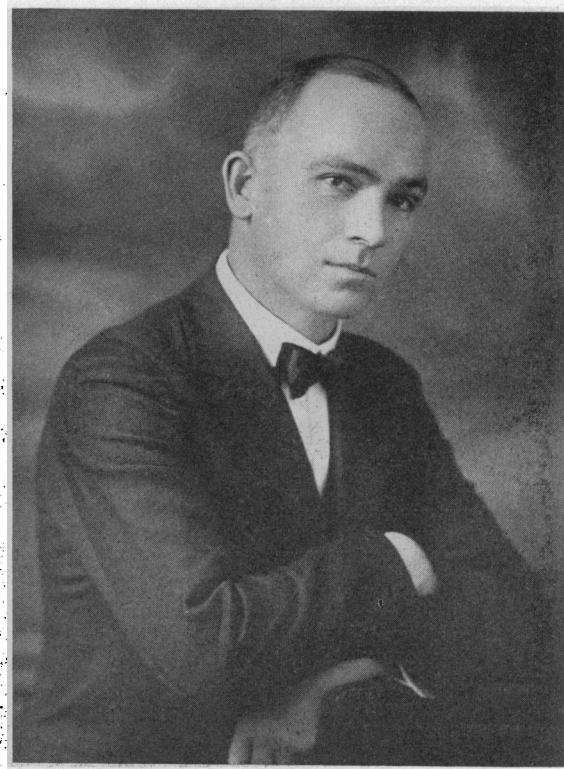


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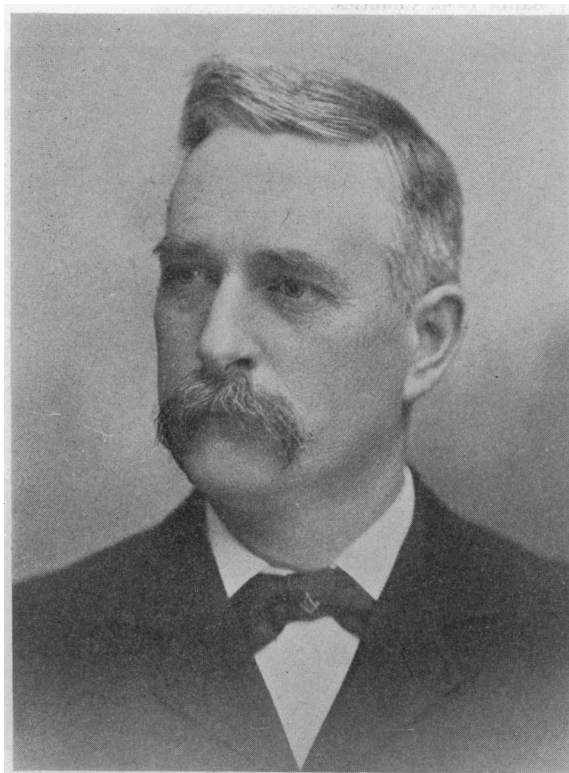
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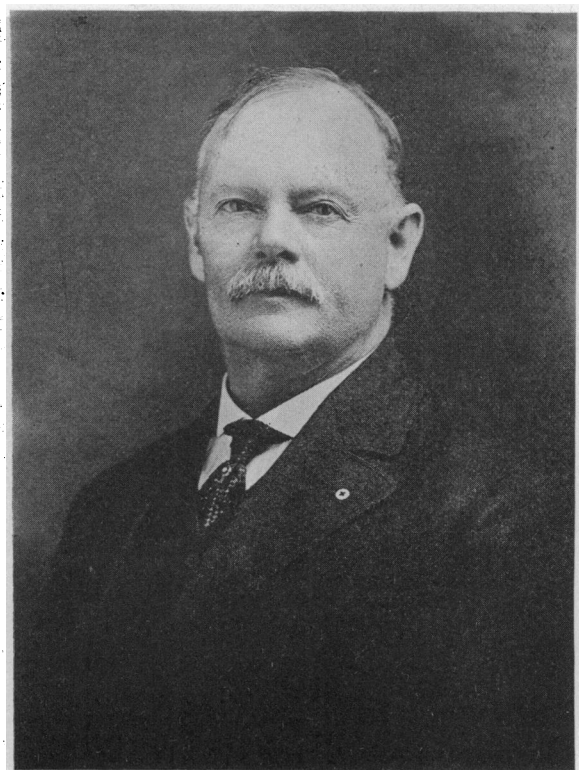
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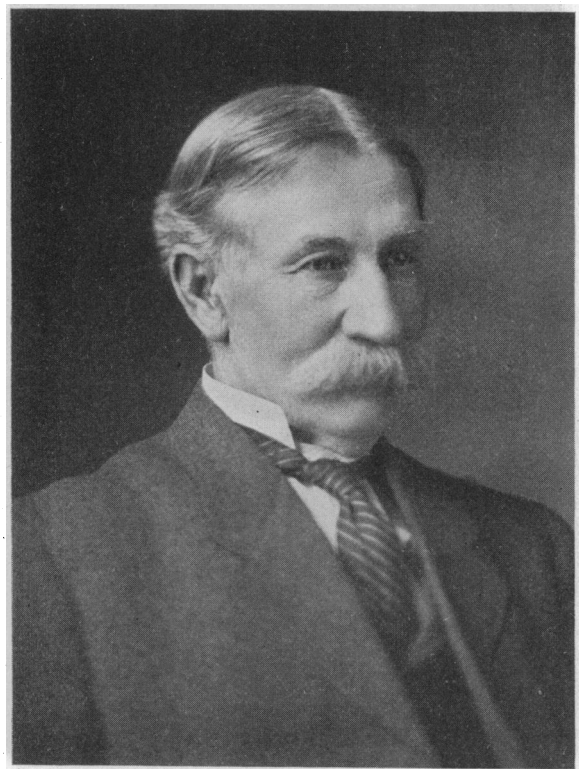
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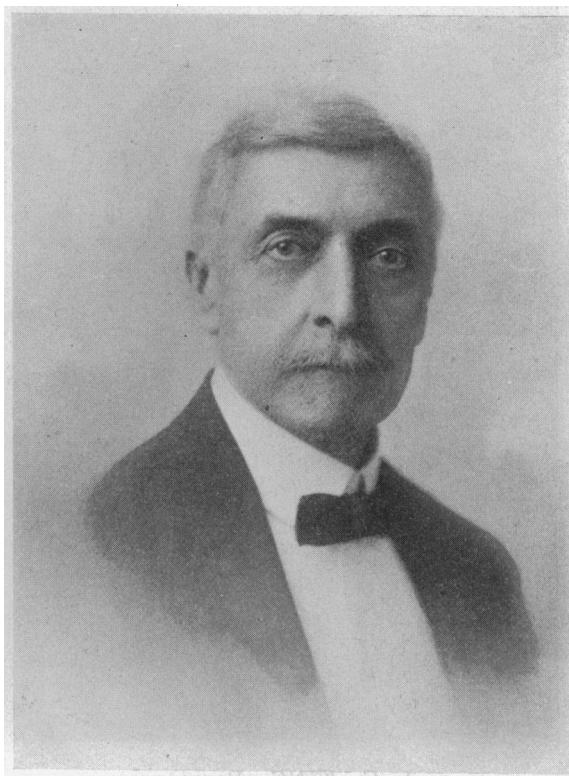
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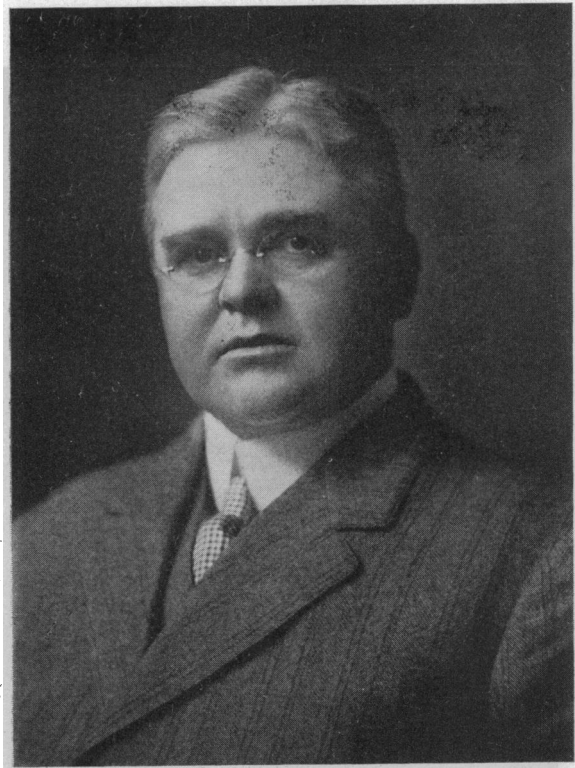


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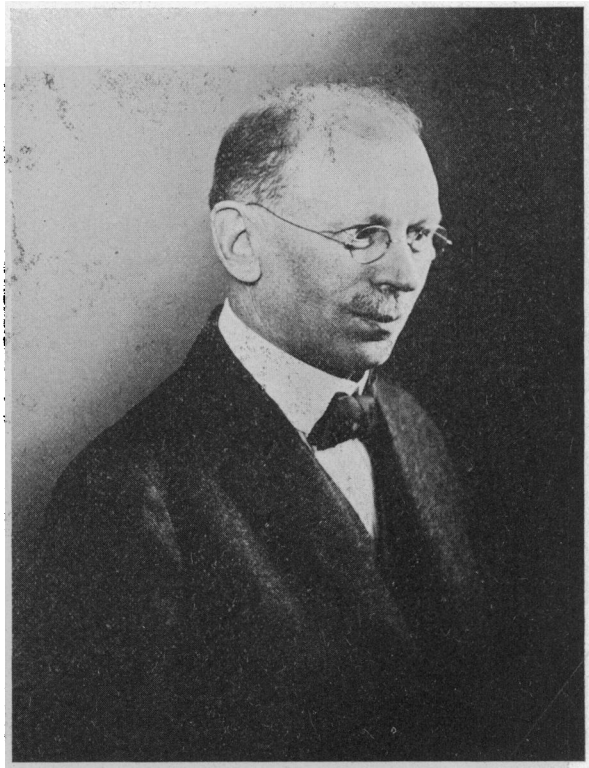
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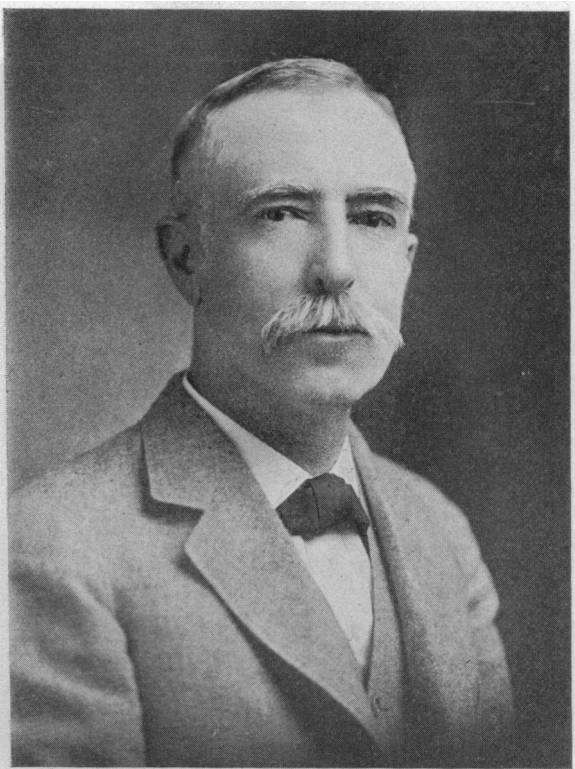
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CORRECTION OF TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR IN THE CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE VI, SECTION 1. REDIS- TRICTING OF STATE.

James H. Parkinson of Sacramento made a motion for a reconsideration of Article VI, Section 1,

Proposed Amendment.

ARTICLE VI.

OFFICERS.

Section 1. The officers of this Society shall be a President, a President-elect, a First Vice-President, a Second Vice-President, a Secretary, and fifteen Councilors, of whom one shall be elected from each of the nine Councilor districts and six at large, two of whom shall be elected from the County of Los Angeles, one from the City and County of San Francisco, one from the County of Alameda, and two from the remainder of the State. Not more than three Councilors shall be elected from any one Councilor district. These officers shall be elected by the House of Delegates at the time and in the manner duly provided in this Constitution and By-Laws."

asking for the unanimous consent of the House in eliminating that portion of the section beginning with the word "one" in the seventh line and ending with the word "State" in the ninth line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "and four from the remainder of the State." Said motion was duly seconded.

President Van Zwahlenburg presented this to the House, asking if there was any objection to the correction.

George H. Kress moved that they take up the matter of rectifying the error, and that the correction be made so that the section reads as follows:

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Said motion was duly seconded. Upon the unanimous approval of the House, the Secretary was so instructed to make the correction in Article VI, Section 1, of the Constitution.

Upon the motion of George H. Kress of Los Angeles, seconded by Gayle G. Moseley of San Francisco, it was unanimously

Resolved, that the State assessment per capita for each member remain as fixed for the previous year, \$7.00.

Badges.

Ferdinand Stabel of Redding then addressed the House on the matter of suitable badges, in the form of a button for the next meeting, recommending that an insignia of some distinction be adopted and worn by the Society. Upon motion duly had and seconded, the Chair appointed a committee of three,—Ferdinand Stabel of Redding, George H. Evans of San Francisco, and Gilbert M. Barrett of San Francisco,—to select such a badge and report to the Council.

There being no further business before the House, upon motion it was regularly moved and seconded that the House of Delegates adjourn to meet at Hotel Del Monte, Del Monte, California, May, 1920.

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Keniston & Root, Los Angeles and Sacramento. Hospital and Surgical Supplies. Represented by Mr. Root.

Book Review

Mental Diseases. A handbook dealing with diagnosis and classification. By Walter Vose Gullick. Illustrated. pp. 142. St. Louis: Mosby. 1918. Price \$2.00.

This little handbook will be useful to those who know little or nothing of psychiatry, but are called by circumstances to treat or judge of psychoses. It is based upon the classification of the Army Medical Department. Its clear and refreshing English is surprising in a medical book.

L. E.

Information for the Tuberculous. By F. W. Wittich. 150 pp. St. Louis: Mosby, 1918. Price, \$1.00.

In this little work the author publishes a series of weekly talks which he gave his patients while doing sanatorium work. Each chapter is a discussion of some symptom or phase of tuberculosis, written in popular style so as to be intelligible to the layman. The book should certainly prove of value to the struggler against tuberculosis, as it will answer the many perplexing problems which present themselves. It should also prove of some value to the physician handling tuberculous patients, giving him suggestions for instructive talks and how to phrase them. In this spirit we commend the book to our readers.

W. C. V.

A Text-Book of General Bacteriology. By Edwin O. Jordan, Ph. D., Professor of Bacteriology in the University of Chicago and in the Rush Medical College. Sixth edition thoroughly revised. Octavo of 691 pages, fully illustrated. Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company, 1918. Cloth \$3.75 net.

The sixth edition of this well-known and valuable teaching manual has been revised and brought up to date, especially in the matter of the newer work on the meningococcus and the pneumococcus. In practically all other respects, it remains the same concise, logical and easily studied classroom guide. In this latter field it is to be most highly recommended.

G. H. T.

Principles of Bacteriology. By Arthur A. Eisenberg. Illustrated. pp. 198. St. Louis: Mosby. 1918. Price \$1.75.

This book may be recommended to laboratory technicians. It gives a number of useful laboratory formulae and considerable information about the more common organisms. To expect nurses, however, for whom the book is intended, to learn about Ehrlich's theory, haptophore groups, etc. is asking too much of young women already overburdened with much useless theory.

L. E.

Compendium of Histo-Pathological Technic. By Emma H. Adler. 92 p. New York: Hoeber. 1918.

This little manual by a laboratory technician contains nothing of theory, but sufficient of practice to make it useful to beginners in pathological laboratories. It does not pretend to the field of larger laboratory manuals, but it may be recommended especially to non-medical technicians.

L. E.

Neurosyphilis, Modern Systematic Diagnosis and Treatment presented in 137 case histories. By E. E. Southard and H. C. Solomon. pp. 496. Boston: W. M. Leonard, 1917.

This volume covers the ground very comprehensively. The histories are followed by a summary and key which give a careful resume of our present knowledge of neurosyphilis and two appendices on technic and treatment.

It is an advantage to have a subject discussed in the method adopted by the Boston Psychopathic Hospital in this, their second monograph, and illustrated by examples from the large clinical material at the authors' disposal, selected with acumen and judgment. There are few branches of medicine in which the ordinary "book-case" is so seldom met with or in which the student is more liable to be confused by the baffling problems that are met in practice. Here we have actual case histories, elaborately reported and analyzed, the results of treatment—which is steadily growing more hopeful—and the careful record of autopsies in fatal instances. All are illustrative of different manifestations of syphilis of the nervous system, and symptoms are not only described, but discussed fully and explained in a lucid and practical way whenever explanation is possible. A good index and classification add to the value of a practical and well written work.

G. A. H.—A.

United States Army X-Ray Manual. Authorized by the Surgeon General of the Army. Prepared under the direction of the Division of Roentgenology. 506 pp. 219 illustrations. N. Y.: Paul B. Hoeber. 1918. Price \$4.00.

This excellent manual should be in the possession of every one doing roentgenology, whether specialist, technician or practitioner who only takes an occasional plate. The whole subject from X-ray physics to therapy is covered concisely, yet thoroughly, and very readably. It is clear and practical, and as it represents the combined ideas of the best minds in American roentgenology, it is authoritative and thoroughly up to date.

L. B.

Roentgenotherapy. By A. F. Tyler. 162 pp. 111 illustrations. St. Louis: Mosby. 1918. Price \$2.50.

This is a very elementary and inconclusive survey of the field of roentgen treatment. It contains glaring inaccuracies of statement, and the technique as outlined for many of the conditions is even dangerous, as the most essential factor in therapy, that of the target skin distance, is either omitted or carelessly considered.

The author advocates one technique for superficial lesions and another for deep conditions, a matter upon which roentgenologists have considerable differences of opinion.

The statement that an erythema dose should be administered, is frequently encountered, yet one looks in vain for the details of the technique of the standard erythema dose.

The book is thoroughly useless and capable of much harm.

L. B.

A Diabetic Manual. By Major Elliot P. Joslin. Illustrated. pp. 187. Philadelphia: Lea & Febiger. 1918. Price, \$1.75.

This book is exactly what the author intended it should be, a radically elementary, schematic presentation of the modern conception of diabetes and its treatment, designed for the mutual use of doctor and patient. The manual is a compend of Joslin's Treatment of Diabetes mellitus, providing a portable, practical ready reference and a foundation on which to base a detailed comprehensive study of the larger textbook. It is arranged in four parts: Part 1 is a primer of the general prin-

Los Angeles County Influenza Recommendations

In a report to the Supervisors of Los Angeles County on the general aspects and control of the influenza epidemic in that county, Dr. J. L. Pomeroy, Health Officer of that county, makes the following recommendations, which may well prove of value in other counties:

1. The experience of the epidemic demonstrates the need for closer co-operation between the various municipal departments of the smaller cities and of the county. Where such co-operation can be effected, a marked improvement in local conditions occurs.

2. Owing to the fact that authorities in the United States predict a recurrence of influenza during the next winter, it is highly important that our administrative and executive arrangements be perfected before that time. To this end I strongly recommend the formation of a committee representing the county and each city in the county under 10,000 population, for perfection of plans against influenza.

3. I recommend the adoption of some plan to maintain a reserve list of physicians and nurses throughout the county who would be willing to accept special service with the Health Department during times of epidemic.

4. I further recommend the passage of an ordinance requiring the principal of each county school to file a weekly report with the County Health Officer of all absentees and other facts relating to school attendance, on forms provided for this purpose by the Health Officer.

Notices

FIT TO FLY.

The moving picture film "Fit to Fly" is at the disposal of any county society which wishes to show it, and can be had by applying to Dr. Charles G. Stivers, 1115 Arapahoe street, Los Angeles.

ORIFICIAL SURGEONS.

The 32d Annual Convention of the American Association of Orifical Surgeons will be held at the Congress Hotel, Chicago, September 15, 16 and 17, 1919. Forenoons will be given to operative demonstrations at the hospital.

The program will be replete with practical addresses, essays and papers by prominent orificalists. The clinics will be interesting, as usual.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY SUMMER QUARTER.

Stanford University since 1917 has divided its year into four quarters of about eleven weeks each. In 1919 the summer quarter will open Tuesday, June 17, and close Saturday, August 30. It is divided into halves, either of which may be taken alone; the second will begin Thursday, July 24. Work may be done and credit received toward the degrees of A. B., A. M., Ph. D., M. D., LL. B., J. D., and toward engineering degrees. Courses are offered in the regular academic and scientific branches, and in medicine, law, and physical education. The advanced and clinical work in medicine is carried on in San Francisco, and that in marine biology at the Hopkins Marine Station near Monterey. Instruction will be by the regular university faculty, with the assistance of certain visiting professors from other universities. The summer quarter is not a summer-school, but is an integral part of the university year.

League for Conservation of Public Health

LUNCHEON AT HOTEL BELVEDERE,
SANTA BARBARA, APRIL 16, 1919.

INTRODUCTORY ADDRESS.

JOHN H. GRAVES, M. D.,

President of the League for the Conservation of Public Health.

The medical profession in this era of social and industrial reconstruction has the opportunity to render unequaled service.

The Health question is not an academic question. The Health problems that all factors of society are now discussing are practical questions that involve the development of the race and the security of the nation.

The State's greatest and most essential resource is the health of the people, and the time is now most opportune to develop this resource. The returning soldiers have learned in camp to appreciate and place a higher value upon health; they have learned a respect for sanitation; they now understand the necessity for community co-operation in health matters.

It will be easier, therefore, from now on to appeal to any community on preventive health measures, as the returning soldiers will be a nucleus around which will gather a healthier public sentiment.

Health problem are permanent problems and a League to help solve them must be likewise.

In a recent Bulletin of the American College of Surgeons this point is strikingly stated. "Year after year," the Bulletin says, "the American Medical Association used to have a Committee on Education bring in a very excellent report. On the whole, the men on that committee were splendid representatives of medical education, and the reports were excellent. But after these reports were read and published, nothing was done for another 365 days or until another committee brought in another report. The result was that from year to year little or nothing was accomplished."

"To produce results you have got to have an organization that will work every day of the 365 days in the year."

This League is a 365 day organization. And not only every day, but many nights have been fruitfully devoted to valuable conference work.

The League is a medical mobilization—a scientific standing army that will endeavor to meet and defeat the invisible foes of disease by putting the principles of preventive medicine and surgery into practical effect. Members of the League are sometimes asked by those who do not belong to it, if this organization is not largely interested in exerting political influence. This impression has probably been created by the fact that the League was forced to engage in several political contests in which the interests of the public and the rights of the profession were menaced.

The fact that we have won all of these contests is not a source of regret to the public or the profession.

Ninety-nine per cent. of the representative medical profession urged us to do what we have done and the one per cent., together with the ninety-nine per cent., share in the benefits of our work. Not all of the ninety-nine per cent. contributed to the results we achieved, either financially or otherwise. Some confined their efforts to lending us their moral support.

Moral influence is a most commendable commodity, but it will not pay for telegrams, telephones, literature and the operations of the machinery that produce results. We believe that all that can should contribute to the League for we are working for the benefit of all.

And right here let me announce publicly, for the League has no secrets, that the printed objects which you have before you, these ostensible ob-

building a modern Heart Room equipped with the latest type of Electrocardiograph and other instruments of precision, introduced the speakers and said in part:

"We are here, as I think you know, to inaugurate the new wing of the Cottage Hospital, which has been dedicated through the generosity of Mr. Billings, Mr. Knapp and Mr. Peabody to the uses of the Memorial Laboratory and Clinic, for the study and treatment of nephritis, gout and diabetes.

"I merely want to say that the building which is being dedicated today was inspired by Dr. Nathaniel Bowditch Potter, and is a monument to him. An ill man himself, he has worked early and late, tirelessly and enthusiastically, for the cause of humanity, under conditions which other men would have failed completely to compass. In fact, I believe it is possible to epitomize such words as represent the finest qualities of the human heart—integrity, courage, zeal and devotion—in that single word 'Potter.'"

Among the speakers was Dr. H. C. Moffitt of San Francisco. Dr. Moffitt said:

"Started in a very modest way to encourage research in chronic diseases on Blackwell's Island in New York, the Carnegie Foundation transplanted this institution here, realizing that true research lies in the quality of men, and that research can be transplanted safely from the shores of an eastern ocean to the shores of a western ocean, provided the man who does it moves here.

"It is an extremely happy omen in my mind that here the clinic and the research develop together. And it is a happy thing, if I might also say, that the problems of the investigator are to come primarily from the clinic. We are reminded in the work to be done here of the similar work that is being done in the hospital of the Rockefeller Foundation, in the hospital of the Johns Hopkins University, in the Massachusetts General Hospital, in the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston, in the Sprague Institute in Chicago, and in the Hooper Foundation of the University of California Medical School in San Francisco. The field here will naturally be somewhat limited. Problems of research in pure chemistry or pure physics will naturally be transplanted elsewhere. But in limiting the field, there is naturally likewise a tremendous advantage. It is a fortunate decision of the founders that the work in the clinic will be most intense in the study of chronic diseases; and it is a wise decision, above all, that the interest of the workers is to be with the man who is sick with the disease, rather than with the abstract disease itself. It was a relief to know that the benefits which come from a rightly run hospital and from wisely planned investigation are here to be limited to no one class of individuals. It is only through dealing with all kinds of people, with all sorts of varying factors in their habits, in their work and play, in their nutrition, in their hopes, ambitions and sorrows, that all-round clinicians can be developed and research problems of chronic disease properly appreciated.

"In the rapid development of medical teaching, we have drifted away from the clinic as the main source of enthusiasm and inspiration. We are developing groups of instructors instead of great teachers. We are developing so-called group medicine at the expense of the individuality and personality of the great clinicians and the great teachers of former times. You remember what Dr. Bull of New York was in surgery, and what Dr. Peabody of New York and Dr. Favill of Chicago were in medicine. We of the Pacific Coast love to remember that wise physician and friend of all the world, Dr. William Watt Kerr of San Francisco. Dr. Potter was speaking only today of the wonderful influence of such men as Sir William Osler, Dr. Fred Shattuck of Boston and Dr. Frank Billings of Chicago.

"What words have we, however, for a man who goes on fighting when he knows the odds are all

against him—yes, even when he knows they are hopeless odds? We doctors love the men of our profession who toil in the harness, when sick in body and when sick in heart. Courage, enthusiasm, strength of will, the spirit undaunted, love of his profession, love of mankind—these indeed are imperishable qualities to bring to your Foundation.

"Members of the Foundation, it is a great thing that in your director you have chosen a wise physician, but it is a greater thing that you have chosen a man."

The new building is being rapidly furnished and will be ready for occupancy within a fortnight. In addition to the Hydrotherapeutic establishment, the cardiac room and a very complete modern diet kitchen, the chemical, bio-chemical, bacteriologic and clinical pathological laboratories, each and all fully and modernly equipped, there are fourteen beds. Some of the ward beds have already been endowed, so that Dr. Potter is now able to offer to the deserving sick poor, suitably recommended by their physicians, who reside outside of Santa Barbara, free services and free accommodations as well.

NEW MEMBERS.

Phillips, Alfred, Santa Cruz.
Thompson, Harry D., San Francisco.
Sharpe, O. A., San Francisco.
McQuade, John, San Francisco.
Smith, Walter E., San Francisco.
Moore, Wm. Leander, San Francisco.
Sheldon, Daniel W., Perris, Cal.
Willis, H. L., Stockton.
Haight, L., Stockton.
Watson, H. A., Los Angeles.
Magee, A. Claude, Los Angeles.
Laton, George P., Los Angeles.
Turley, Frances C., Los Angeles.
Krebs, L. L., Pasadena.
Glenn, T. H., Los Angeles.
Shea, J. Russell, Los Angeles.
Edgerton, H. W., Pomona.
Bowman, Ross, Huntington Park.
Caseley, W. N., Long Beach.
Hall, John F., Alhambra.
Franklin, J. W., Los Angeles.

TRANSFERRED.

Thorner, Moses, from Los Angeles County to Santa Barbara.
Baird, Harry R., from Yuba County to Sacramento County.

DEATHS

Riehl, F. W. F., a graduate of Frederick William University of Prussia, 1867. Licensed in California in 1876. Died in Alameda, Calif., May 21, 1919.

Robinson, T. C., a graduate of Hahnemann Medical College, San Francisco, 1902. Licensed since 1902. Died in Long Beach, April 2, 1919.

Bishop, Herbert Martin, a graduate of Yale University, 1865. Licensed here in 1892. Died in Los Angeles, April 23, 1919.

Ellis, J. W., a graduate of the New York University, New York, 1884. Licensed in California 1884. Died in San Jose March 3, 1919.

Ford, James C., a graduate of Medical Department of University of Missouri, 1859. Licensed in California in 1888. Died in Santa Cruz, California, February 12, 1919.

Squire, W. W., a graduate of Hahnemann Medical College, Chicago, 1876. Licensed in California, 1900. Died in Tulare, Cal., May 17, 1919.

Sperry, Mary A., a graduate from Women's Medical College, Pennsylvania, 1890. Licensed in California, 1892. A member of the Medical Society of State of California, San Francisco Center of the California Civic League, The Business and Professional Women's Club and the Society of Women Physicians. Died in San Francisco, May 7, 1919.